

Amendment
Serial No. 10/629,800
Attorney Docket No. 000339A

REMARKS

Examiner Arbes is thanked for the courtesy extended to the undersigned attorney during the telephone interview conducted on September 8, 2005. Applicants' separate record of the substance of that interview is incorporated into the following discussion.

Claims 12, 13 and 21 are pending. Claim 12 is amended hereby. During the telephone interview, the undersigned attorney explained that Fjelstad provides a contact which has already been formed prior to any plastic deformation. The Examiner maintained that the language of the claims reasonably reads on Fjelstad.

Accordingly, claim 12 is amended herein to specify that the contacts are formed by mechanically pressing the wiring substrate with a pressing member, and then removing pressing member. Fjelstad does not teach or suggest the presently claimed method of manufacturing a contactor. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 USC §102 (b) and 35 USC §103(a) is earnestly solicited.

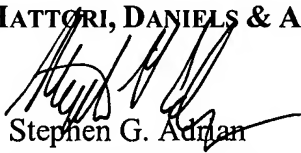
Should the Examiner deem that any further action by applicants would be desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen G. Adrian", is written over the printed name.

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